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HER Majesty having granted a Commission under the Great-Seal, Impowering the Lord Archbishop of *Canterbury*, the Lord Chancellor, the Lord Treasurer, the Lord Privy-Seal, and several other Lords, to pass the Royal Assent to several Bills agreed to by both Houses of Parliament; the Lords Commissioners sent, on the 21st Instant, a Message to the House of Commons by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman-Usher of the Black-Rod, to desire the House to come up to the House of Peers with their Speaker, to be present at the passing the said Bills into Acts. The Speaker and the House went up accordingly, and the Lords Commissioners passed the Royal Assent to the several Publick Bills following, *viz.*

An Act for Enlarging the Capital Stock of the Bank of England, *and for raising a further Supply to Her Majesty for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and nine.*

An Act for continuing several Impositions and Duties to raise Mony by way of Loan, and for Exporting British-*Copper and Brass Wire Duty-free, and for Circulating a further Sum in Exchequer-Bills in case a new Contract be made in that behalf; and concerning the Oaths to be Administred in relation to* Italian *Thrown Silks, and touching Oils and Plantation-Goods of Foreigners, taken or to be taken as Prize; and concerning Drugs of* America *to be Imported from Her Majesty's Plantations, and for appropriating the Monies given in this Session of Parliament: And for making out Debentures for two Transport-Ships in this Act named; and to allow a further time for Registring certain Debertures, and for Relief of Persons who have lost such Tickets, Exchequer-Bills, Debentures, Tallies or Orders, as in this Act are mentioned.*

An Act for ascertaining and directing the Payment of the Allowances to be made for or upon the Exportation from Scotland *of Fish, Beef and Pork cured with foreign Salt Imported before the First Day of* May, *One thousand seven hundred and seven, and for disposing such Salt still remaining in the hands of Her Majesty's Subjects there; and for ascertaining and securing the Allowances for Fish and Flesh Exported, and to be Exported from* Scotland *for the future.*

An Act for Improving the Union of the Two Kingdoms.

An Act to prevent the laying of Wagers relating to the Publick.

An Act for preserving the Privileges of Ambassadors, and other publick Ministers of Foreign Princes and States.

An Act for the better Ascertaining the Lengths and Breadths of Woollen Cloth made in the County of York.

An Act to preserve the Rights of Patrons to Advowsons.

An Act to enable Infants who are Seized or Possessed of Estates in Fee in Trust, or by way of Mortgage, to make Conveyances of such Estates.

An Act for rendring more effectual the Laws concerning Commissions of Sewers.

An Act for the better Preservation of Parochial Libraries in that part of Great Britain *called* England.

An Act for giving the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London *the same Powers as the Commissioners of Sewers for Counties have, and to oblige Collectors for the Sewers to Account.*

An Act for Repairing and Improving of Morison's *Haven, and the Port there in the Shire of* East-Lothian, alias Hadingtoun.

An Act for Building a Parish-Church and Parsonage-House, and making a new Church-Yard, and a new Parish in Birmingham *in the County of* Warwick, *to be called the Parish of Saint* Phillip.

An Act for the publick Registring of Deeds, Conveyances and Wills, and other Incumbrances which shall be made of, or that may affect any Honours, Manors, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments within the County of Middlesex, *after the twenty ninth Day of* September, *One thousand seven hundred and nine.*

An Act for the Queen's most Gracious, General and Free Pardon.

An Act for continuing the former Acts for the Encouragement of the Coinage, and to Encourage the bringing of Foreign Coins, and British *or Foreign Plate to be Coined, and for making Provision for the Mints in* Scotland, *and for the prosecuting Offences concerning the Coin in* England.

An Act for Raising the Militia for the Year One thousand seven hundred and nine, although the Month's Pay formerly advanced be not repaid.

An Act for making more Effectual an Act made in the Sixth Year of Her Majesty's Reign, for the better preventing of Mischiefs that may happen by Fire.

An Act for appointing Commissioners to treat and agree for such Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments as shall be judged proper to be purchased for the better fortifying Portsmouth, Chatham *and* Harwich.

An Act for altering Whitsuntide *and* Lammas *Terms for the Court of* Exchequer *in* Scotland.

An Act for making perpetual an Act for the better preventing the Counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom; as also for giving like Remedy upon Promisory Notes, as is used upon Bills of Exchange, and for the better payment of Inland Bills of Exchange; and for continuing several Acts made in the Fourth and Fifth Years of Her Majesty's Reign, for preventing Frauds committed by Bankrupts.

As also to 31 Private Bills.

And afterwards a Speech of the Lord-Commissioners was delivered to both Houses by the Lord-Chancellor, as followeth.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

BEing now by the Queen's Directions to put an End to this Session, We have it in Command from Her Majesty to assure you, Her Majesty is extremely Sensible of the Zeal and Affection you have shown for Her Service, and the Good of Her People, and of the Prudence and Dispatch with which you have completed the important Business of this Session.

The Vigour and Firmness of your Proceedings have already had a very good Effect on Affairs abroad, and there is ground to hope, by God's Blessing on Her Majesty's Endeavours, that this will every Day appear more and more evident.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

We are to return you in particular Her Majesty's Thanks, for your having provided so timely and effectually the Supplies found necessary to the Prosecution of this War, with an augmentation of those Forces, which, in conjunction with our Allies, have, by God's Assistance, procured us the present Advantages over the common Enemy.

Your Cheerfulness in giving such large Supplies at this Juncture, and the ready advances which have been made for their being effectual, with so little burden to the People, shew you perfectly understand how to make a right Use of Our past Successes, and that nothing is too difficult for so dutiful and affectionate Subjects, acting in Defence of so good a Cause.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

Her Majesty thro' the whole Course of Her Reign, having ever been desirous to shew all possible Instances of Goodness and Clemency to Her Subjects, hath now for the Strengthning the Union, and Quieting the Minds of all Her Subjects, throughout the United Kingdom, *thought fit to grant them an Act of Grace and Free Pardon, in a more full and beneficial Manner than hath been formerly used; not doubting but all Her People will make a right Use of, and suitable Returns on their part for so extraordinary an Indulgence.*

Her Majesty having also been graciously pleased to give the Royal Assent to the several Bills you have presented during this Session, command us to observe to you on that Occasion, that the Life and Benefit of all Laws, how wisely soever